

CORNWALL, middling uplands, closed yesterday in New York at 11:15; in Liverpool at 6:30.

Tax Signal Service Bureau report indicates to-day in Georgia, generally higher pressure slightly lower or stationary temperature, variable winds mostly east, with a tendency to change weather, and possibly occasional rains.

Head Note of Decisions.
The pamphlet of the head notes of the decisions of the January Term, 1878, of the Supreme Court is to be had, and may be delivered to all parties during H. Price, One Dollar per copy.

Meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee Fifth Congressional District.

A meeting of the democratic executive committee of the fifth congressional district is to be held, to be convened in the city of Griffin on Saturday, the first day of June, 1878, for the purpose of calling a convention of the party to nominate a candidate for congress, fixing the date of the representation, and to transact such other business as may come before the convention.

A list of the committee is given below.

Democratic paper of the district will please copy.

W. T. NEWMAN, chairman.
Atlanta, May 17, 1878.

DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

W. T. NEWMAN, Failean, T. J. Wilson, Z. T. Zecher, Henry L. F. Blacklock, Fayette, F. D. Doremus, Spalding, A. H. Hunt, Pike, T. B. Cabiness, Monroe, J. A. Condon, Union, C. H. Smith, Crawford, Dr. Richardson, Houston.

Letters to The Constitution.

FREE EXPRESSIONS BY THE PEO

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[Motto for our correspondents—Be brief; be brief; ever more be brief—Ezraus Convention.]

THE PRACTICE OF DISCRIMINAT.

EVERYONE CONCERNED.—I notice considerable discussion in your paper in reference to who should represent our district in congress, and the names of quite a number of excellent gentlemen have been mentioned. I am in full agreement with the editor. The other end of the district has had the honor to furnish the man the past three terms, and as turn about is fair play, I would suggest that we have a representative from the west who is respected. Houston county can furnish a man in every sense worthy of the position, and should be nominated at the approaching nominating convention. If that man is Col. C. L. Danner, of Perry.

ATLANTA,
REV. DR. LOVICK PIERCE.

EDITORS' CONSTITUTION: I beg that the Methodist conference will pardon a member of their church who is in nowise connected either with the body or with the great church which it so worthily represents. I write in the interest of christian justice and grateful recognition of distinguished public service, and no man who is in my view which must be respected. Houston county can furnish a man in every sense worthy of the position, and should be nominated at the approaching nominating convention. If that man is Col. C. L. Danner, of Perry.

The general conference has, no doubt wisely, decided to elect a bishop at the present time to supply the vacancy caused by the death of the greatly lamented Marvin. A proper regard for economy, no doubt, in great measure, dictated the decision. These ideas are out of place, while the conference must and does do some which may require only an expression of sentiment, and will do honor to the church without adding a cent to its burthens.

There is no end of the kind of service the venerable but most erect and manly form of a great apostle of Christ, an active participant in its deliberations, and an eminent survivor of the cause of Methodism. His influence in approaching his centennial anniversary, and has spent more than man's ordinary allotment of "three score and ten" in a life of usefulness. He deserves to be honored, and the conference shall meet again, this great and good, and useful man, in all human probability, will have passed to his eternal rest, and for once will be allowed to him the highest honor within the gift of the church. It will be a last and well-merited testimonial to the man who has done much, and one more added to the advancement of the cause of Methodism and old fashioned Christianity in the south. Let him by a unanimous vote be made honorary bishop, and his name be inscribed in the church, son's without assignment of salary, and if needs be, without salary; or, if there are many bishops, it would be still better to have him retain his episcopal rank, and be retained in the church. He has said himself, "God bless him in his field of labor." [Applause.]

He replied to the speech of Mr. T. L. Mellen, in which he spoke of his retirement, and moved to lay it on the table.

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The Constitution.**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT****JOHN RYAN**

HAS just returned from New York where he has been in attendance on all the large sales of
Dry Goods, Carpets, Cassimeres, Hats,
and an endless variety of other goods too numerous to mention in the public press, from the extraordinary sale of Passavant & Co. He will offer some of the choicest and

GREATEST BARGAINS

it has ever been his privilege, during the last quarter of a century, to place before his customers.
25 pieces Black Gros Grain Silk 60 cents a yard, former price 85 cents
35 pieces Black Gros Grain Silk \$1.00, positively worth \$1.50.
40 pieces Black Cashmere, sublime satin finish, 50c, 60c, 75c and \$1.00, sold everywhere 75c to \$1.50.
25 pieces Black Tamise Cloth, every thread all wool, 50c to \$1.00, worth 50 per cent more.

Special attention is called to the immense assortment of handsome famous

LYONS BLACK GROS GRAIN SILKS

of the most celebrated manufacturers, Bullion, Bonnet, Tellard and Tapissiere, which for richness in finish and excellence of wear cannot be excelled. 30 pieces of

Magnificent Colored Dress Silks 75c to \$1,

sold everywhere for \$1.25 to \$1.75.

140 pieces Fancy Dress Silks in elegant designs, 50c, 60c, 75c and 85c, none such ever before offered to the public at those

PRICES THIS SIDE OF THE ATLANTIC

400 pieces Cassimere, damaged by water, will be sold at six and a half cents.

50 Pieces of Irish Linen,

slightly damaged from coming in contact with other goods on the voyage, will be sold at 40 cents by the yard, or 87½ cents by the piece.

John Ryan has also attended the great sales of Townsend & Farris, Field, Morris, Fenner & Co., Wilmerding, Hogue & Co., where he had for competitors such houses as Sharpey & Son, of Philadelphia, Jordan, Marsh & Co., of Boston, John Shillito, of Cincinnati, he being the only representative from Georgia; consequently he can have no competition in those purchases. No doubt other parties will assert, as they have done before, that they had agents at those great sales, but John Ryan hopes none of his friends or customers will be induced to make any purchases before they ascertain his prices, by calling at his establishment and see for themselves, **OR SEND FOR SAMPLES AND SEE HIS PRICES.** John Ryan has this time exhausted his cash and had to draw some on his credit. The stock being immense, he is now very willing to sell his friends and customers at a very small profit to get a return of his money and thereby benefit himself and customers who so kindly patronized him the last quarter of a century. He thinks this the best and largest purchase he has ever made, and in all probability it will be his last. The stock of

CARPETS!

including English Tapestry, fine Body Drapery, Ingrains, Venetian, Hemp, Floor Oileths, Matting, Upholstery, Window Shades, Cornices,

Boots and Shoes, Hats,

Straw and Felt, for Ladies, Misses, Children and Gentlemen. HOSIERY, GLOVES, NOTIONS,

Hamburg Edging, and sum all in a word everything known to the trade.

Those who study their own interest will not be induced to make any purchase through sympathy or any amount of windy advertisements until they visit this establishment.

250 pieces Crash, every thread pure linen (no trash) six and a half cents.

125 pieces Black Alpaca, light weight, 12½c, 15c, 20c.

50 pieces pure Mohair Alpaca, 35c, 40c, 45c, and up.

THE GREATEST BARCAINS EVER OFFERED.

Ladies' Linen Suits in the newest and most elegant styles, at prices less than could be reasonably offered to a dress maker to make them. 150 pieces Printed Percales, 8c, worth double the money. 2 cases, 125 pieces, extra quality, 12½c.

Honey-Comb Quilts, suitable for summer wear, 60s, 75s and \$1.00.

Parasols in extent and variety, such as have never before been seen in the city, 25c, 50c, 60c and \$1.00, and upwards. 150 pieces lined Linen in spring styles 8c.

Hamburg Embroideries 3c and upwards. Twelve thousand yards purchased at Field, Morris, Fenner & Co.'s auction sale. Kid Gloves one, two, three, four and five buttons—prices 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25, including Juvan's, Alexandre's, Harris's and others, purchased at prices less than their duties.

Vine City were recently fined to the full extent of the law for violating it.

Mr. Thomas Wood, manager of Mr. C. W. Lowndes' fine plantation, Valley Home, in Transylvania county, has now in stock about 4,000 feet of white oak, Western Oak, Carolina Oak, to be sold at private sale, and slaughtered in the city of Atlanta. After spending a few days here, we feel as if the world outside was half asleep.

—*Miss Georgia Herald.* Many fields of wheat and oats are now nearly ready for harvesting. There is some rust in the wheat, but the yield, we hope, will be remunerative. Oats are good.

The average wages per month paid, for farm labor, in Georgia, is \$10.00, in north Georgia, \$9.00; middle Georgia, \$7.50; southwest Georgia, \$7.40; east Georgia, \$8.00; southeast Georgia, \$10.10; average for the state, \$8.00.

—*Swainsboro Herald.* A horse of about 12 hands, weighing between 1,000 and 1,100 pounds, was sold at a recent sale in four hundred pounds through that place one day last week. They were being driven to Mr. Wilkins' stock farm in Burke.

—*Attn. Washington.* We learn that the colored fire company of Athens, "Rebel No. 2," has accepted a challenge from the "Washington" colored company of Columbus, and that the contest will come in the city of Athens on the 21st of June.

The editorial correspondent of the Swainsboro Herald, w^ring of Atlanta, says: "In the busy city, Atlanta again, I am never here but I do use to see the women of the colored race, and the citizens of this great city of the south. After spending a few days here, we feel as if the world outside was half asleep."

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—*Mr. P. B. Beckman, of Augusta.* The number of acres planted in corn in 1876 was 2,147,392, yield, 23,620,000 bushels; on an average of 11 bushels per acre, there were 2,147,392 bushels. Number of acres planted in cotton in 1876, 1,515,000; yield, 565,000 bales; acre per bale, 3; average cost of production per pound, 9.3c; price, 9. The average cash value of the principal crops of the fall was \$7.00.

—*Milledgeville Union and Recorder.* Mr. J. P. Beckman, of Augusta, has sent by express to D. T. H. Kenan, two boxes containing over 500 pounds of plantain, a contribution to the Milledgeville grounds. A similar gift was made by Mr. B. A. year or two since, and the institution is indebted to him for some of the prettiest flowers that have in the department. This gift has been the source of much pride to the officers and pleasure to their unfortunate charge.

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The Constitution.

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T. M. ACTON. W. E. JOHNSON.**THROUGH THE CITY.**NEWS GLIMPSES FROM OUR RE-
PORTERS' NOTE BOOKS.**PERSONAL MENTION.**

Rev H. H. McWhorter has sold the Florida Representations to the Atlanta Journal. The paper will hereafter contain a Florida department.

John A. McWhorter, Esq., of Greenville, is in town, and will be at the office of the Atlanta Journal during the greater part of the time. He is a young lawyer of his circuit, and report names him as one of the most promising men of his age. His services are to be engaged by the legislature next winter.

The Marietta Journal speaks highly of one of our editorial staff: Colons Ervin P. Howell, of the ATLANTA CONSTITUTION, who has written a series of articles on the Civil War.

If ever we have to ride in a hack again, give us Baldwin to talk and Howell to do the laughing.

SIDEWALK NOTES.

—The lecture of Dr. Harris is postponed.

There will be a meeting of the Irving club to-morrow night at the residence of Col. O. P. Pinckney on Washington street, opposite the Hotel Atlantic, at 8 o'clock. The meeting and the meeting will be the social event of the week.

The Gate City Guards will march this afternoon from their armory up Forsyth street to Mitchell, through Mitchell to Peachtree, broad through Peachtree, down Peachtree, Decatur, past the Almond house to the depot.

The Atlanta Amateurs.

The Atlanta Amateurs rendered Robert Macrae, or the Two Tramps, at the opera house last night. A very good audience was present, and great appreciation for the players in the parts were presented.

Mr. Will Moyers, as Robert Macrae, was saucy but admirably done, while Mr. Macrae, as Jacques, rendered his part in a way that made him a favorite with the audience very early in the play.

Mr. C. C. Ingalls, as Dumont, an ink keeper, gave a performance that could be desired.

Mrs. Macrae's wife of Robert Macrae, and mother of Jacques was presented by Miss Milligan with good effect.

Clementine (retired to Charles), with song, was represented by Miss Anna Castileira, who was a credit to her part, and the effect, causing her to be loudly applauded.

The comedy in two acts, entitled "The Naval Engineer," was well received and well deserved.

Miss Milligan, as Mrs. Macrae, was excellent, and presented her part with fine effect.

She acted perfectly at home and her acting was a credit to the amateur.

The meeting respects far better than the majority of professional actors who passed through this city the past season.

The characters of Mr. Geo. Bates, as Admiral King, and Mr. W. T. Moyers, as Lieut. King, were presented a decided "hit."

Fulton Superior Court.

The Fulton Superior Court of Fulton county met at 9 A.M. yesterday morning.

The following business was transacted during the day's session:

In the case of T. Jackson, who was a party of the plaintiff in error, he was granted a new trial.

J. C. Anderson vs. Thrasher, defendant, and Hause, claimant. (Two cases.) Claims dismissed.

R. G. Gardner vs. C. Ladd and wife—Illegally Dismissed by defendant attorney.

E. J. Fahey & Co. vs. Pauli & Carroll, and Robert G. Gardner vs. Ladd. Dismissed.

R. G. Gardner vs. Alton Kennedy. Demurred and a fit & fit granted.

Mary E. O'Farrell vs. V. J. English and Edward J. English. Dismissed and to continue to suit until the final hearing.

Thomas E. Rand vs. Mary J. Rand. Verdict in favor of the defendant.

Pending the argument in the case of F. Gould vs. R. S. King, a court adjourned to meet during a fit & fit.

The Atlanta presbytery met at the First Baptist Church, yesterday evening, to determine the termination of the case between Judge Hillier and call up case where defendants are confined to the State of Georgia.

At the trial of the case, Judge Hillier charged the State with the case of the State vs. Kosky, charged the name.

The following cases were left over from yesterday and remain on the calendar to be tried in order:

Atlanta city.

Glover vs. City.

Goldsmith vs. Glover.

Curtiss vs. W. S. Strong & Co.

Dodge vs. W. S. Strong.

Love vs. Smith.

Kendrick's Abbott.

Knott vs. Lawson.

Pant vs. Empire Manufacturing company.

Kris vs. Gaskill.

McNamee vs. McNamee.

City Court of Atlanta

Hon. RICHARD H. CLARK, PRESIDING.

The city court met yesterday morning at the usual hour and transacted the following business:

State vs. Henry Williams, malicious mischief.

State vs. John Hollins, cutting and destroying the hat of Red Hollins.

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Pete of guilty, and sentence reserved.

Judge Clark, under the facts appearing, inflicted the punishment he might send the case to the superior court.

State vs. Thomas Hall, trespass. Charged with tearing down the house and removing therefrom \$20 worth of lumber, the property of A. C. Head, and with breaking and entering in the house.

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